

REMARKS

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed May 28, 2009 rejecting all of the pending claims in the application. Initially, applicant notes that claims 2 and 12-14 have been cancelled. New claims 15-17 are presented for the first time. Support for these claims may be found by reference to, for example, page 5 lines 3-4, page 9 lines 6-8, and page 17 lines 9-27 of the specification.

The Examiner has objected to claims 1, and 4-8. Each of these claims has been amended to address the informalities raised in the objections and improve their form. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the objections to these claims.

The Examiner has also rejected claims 1, and 3-11 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 7,451,392 to Chalecki ("Chalecki") in view of U.S. Patent No. 7,299,408 to Daonta ("Daonta"). Claim 1 now recites "the first information entity includes a framework comprising a digital copy of a physical form, and the information entity includes an overlay having predefined form fields corresponding to the structure of the framework." Support for this amendment may be found, for example, by reference to page 6 lines 18-24 and page 9 lines 20-23. Applicant respectfully submits that neither Chalecki nor Daonta disclose these features of the claimed invention.

Chalecki is relied on for disclosing "a first information entity and a second information entity ... which are displayed in dependence [of] each other and for providing information to the second information entity" as claimed in claim 1. (See Office Action, page 5). Specifically, the Examiner notes that in Chalecki, "one file contains many files, including XML and HTML." (*Id.*). However, Chalecki does not

disclose that a file includes a framework comprising a digital copy of a physical form nor does Chalecki disclose that a second file includes an overlay having predefined form fields corresponding to the structure of the framework. Accordingly, applicant respectfully submits that Chalecki does not disclose these features as claimed by applicant.

Moreover, Daonta fails to make up for these deficiencies in Chalecki. In discussing Daonta, the Examiner also notes that "first, second, and third parts are described as shown in the figure, the multiple parts to the documents described [at column 4 lines 14-45 of Daonta] could be the parts described in Chalecki as well." (Office Action, page 6). Daonta discloses "a header section 110, a data section 120, a view section 130, and a signature section 140." These sections are merely fields within a single form. In addition, none of the fields include a framework that corresponds to a digital copy of a physical form, nor do any of the fields include an overlay having predefined form fields corresponding to the structure of the framework. Accordingly, applicant respectfully submits that Daonta fails to disclose these features as claimed.

In view of the foregoing, applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the rejections to claim 1. As claims 3-7 depend from claim 1, applicants also request that, for at least the aforementioned reasons, the Examiner withdraw the rejections to these claims as well.

Claim 8 recites language similar to that discussed in reference to claim 1, and for at least the aforementioned reasons, applicants request that the Examiner withdraw the rejections to claim 8. As claims 9-11 depend from claim 1, applicants also request that, for at least the aforementioned

reasons, the Examiner withdraw the rejections to these claims as well.

As it is believed that all of the rejections set forth in the Official Action have been fully met, favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited. If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that he telephone applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which he might have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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